

A PROFILE OF THE COLLEGE

Goa Vidyaprasarak Mandal's Gopal Govind Poi Raiturcar College of Commerce and Economics was established in the year June 1986 to provide Higher Education opportunities in Commerce to students residing in the rural areas of Ponda taluka and town. Goa Vidyaprasarak Mandal, the parent body of the College, founded way back in 1911 has completed 106 years of humble service in the field of education from primary to graduate and post-graduate level in the State of Goa.

The College campus is spread over 15,000 square meters of land with adequate infrastructure and learning resources to cater to the needs of the student community. The College has adopted and enriched the university curriculum from time to time, including the present Choice Based Credit System. It has adopted transparent teaching-learning and evaluation system. The College has a credible research, consultancy and extension base to cater to the needs of the higher education in Commerce and allied fields. The College has attempted to involve all the stakeholders--- students, parents, teachers, management, industry, voluntary organizations, University, UGC and government agencies to promote quality higher education with emphasis on skill enhancement and student-centric learning in the classrooms.

The knowledge, skills and attitude forms the core of the teaching-learning process and the College strives to promote awareness amongst the students about community, ecology, nation and global society at large. The College forges interactions with industry, community and academia to make teaching and learning process relevant to the society.

The College is affiliated to Goa University for its academic and other matters. It offers Bachelor of Commerce (B.Com.) course and self-financed course in Master of Commerce (M.Com.) and Bachelor of Computer Applications (BCA) and other post-graduate and professional courses to cater to the demands of the students and requests from the government from time to time.

The College has adopted ICT enabled teaching-learning in the class-rooms. The College has a well-equipped Computer Laboratory funded by Rashtriya Uchchar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA) scheme. The College library has vast collection of books, journals, magazines, newspapers and e-learning resources are made available to the students. The total collection of books in the library is around 23000. The library facility is made available to local community as part of its extension activity. The College campus is wi-fi enabled. The College has gymkhana, canteen, hall, audio-visual room and other facilities on the campus.

The College chiefly serves the student population comprising of (a) scheduled castes (SC), scheduled tribes (ST) and other backward classes (OBC); (b) students belonging to minority

community; (c) those from weaker section and general category. The total number of intake of student is approximately 800 for last three years.

The ratio of students to the faculty is 29.82% in 2014-15, 29.89% in 2015-2016 and 27.75% in 2016-2017, respectively. The strength of the students is 835, 807, and 777 and that of number of faculty is 28, 27 and 28 for the corresponding period. The average annual expenditure per student is Rs. 23623 and average operating expenditure per student is Rs.22175 for previous three years.

The teaching faculty of the College serves the University and other academic bodies to upgrade syllabus and to facilitate and enrich academic activities. The teaching faculty is constantly engaged in updating knowledge by undertaking minor research projects, publication of research papers and participation in seminars, conferences, workshops, lectures, etc. The experience and expertise of the teaching staff is channelized to make teaching-learning effective and relevant to the students.

The College has experienced and dedicated teaching faculty with doctoral qualifications and engaged in the research-related activities. The percentage of experience of to the total faculty above 15 years experience is 78.58 in 2014-15, 74.08 in 2015-16, and 67.85 in 2016-2017, respectively.

The percentage of faculty with Ph. D. is 17.86 in 2014-2015, 22.22 in 2015-2016, and 28.57 in 2016-2017, respectively.

The result of the examinations of the various commerce and allied courses is consistently high for the corresponding years. The ex-students have taken admissions for various institutions in Goa and outside.

The College has excelled in extra-curricular activities and sports and games at national and international level. The National Service Scheme (NSS) and National Cadet Corps (NCC), Students' Council and other various associations/ forums cater to integrated personality development of the students. The alumni of the College are occupying respectable positions in their professions, trade, commerce and society.

The College is re-accredited by NAAC with "B" Grade CGPA of 2.70 in January 2015.

The College, for last 30 years, continues to bring about the qualitative change in teaching-learning process and make education relevant to the society, industry and government.